

## I Claim:

1. (currently amended) A bendable extension arm for extending a user's reach, comprising:
  - A. a stiffening wire comprising a first end and a second end,
  - B. two wire receptors, wherein one of said two wire receptors is attached to said first end and the other of said two wire receptors is attached to said second end, and
  - C. a sheath covering said stiffening wire, wherein said sheath prevents over bending of said stiffening wire,wherein said bendable extension arm's resistance to bending when being utilized for extending a user's reach is dependent primarily upon the stiffness of said stiffening wire.
2. (original) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 1, wherein said stiffening wire is a 10 gage galvanized metal wire.
3. (original) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 1, wherein each of said two wire receptors comprises an attachment means for attaching devices.
4. (original) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 3, wherein said devices comprise:
  - A. a paint brush, and
  - B. an extension pole.
5. (original) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 3, wherein said attachment means are threads.
6. (original) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 1, wherein said stiffening wire is rigidly attached to said two wire receptors.

7. (original) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 1, wherein at least one of said first end or said second end is slidably attached to either one or both of said two wire receptors
8. (original) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 1, wherein said two wire receptors are couplers for receiving said first end and said second end of said stiffening wire and for connecting separate devices.
9. (original) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 1, wherein at least one of said two wire receptors comprises a means for slidably receiving said stiffening wire.
10. (original) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 1, wherein said sheath is helically constructed bendable metal sheath.
11. (original) The bendable extension are as in Claim 1, further comprising two ferrules for attaching together said stiffening wire, said sheath and said two wire receptors.
12. ~~(previously presented)~~ The bendable extension arm as in Claim 11, wherein said two ferrules crimp said stiffening wire, said sheath and said two wire receptors.
13. (original) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 1, wherein said stiffening wire is a plurality of stiffening wires.
14. ~~(original)~~ The bendable extension arm as in Claim 1, wherein said bendable extension arm is a bendable handle.
15. (original) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 14, wherein said bendable handle comprises a:
  - A) a hand receiving end, and
  - B) a device attachment end,

wherein a user grabs said handle at said hand receiving end and wherein a device is attached to said handle at said device attachment end.

10. ~~(originally, The bendable arm as in Claim 1, wherein said arm is in a joint branch~~
17. (previously presented) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 1, wherein said stiffening wire permits said bendable extension arm to be bent to a desired shape, and wherein said stiffening wire holds said desired shape and prevents said bendable extension arm from bending while said bendable extension arm is utilized.
18. (cancelled)
19. (currently amended) A bendable extension arm for extending a user's reach, comprising:
- A. a stiffening wire comprising a first end and a second end,
  - B. two wire receptors, wherein one of said two wire receptors is attached to said first end and the other of said two wire receptors is attached to said second end, and
  - C. a sheath covering said stiffening wire, wherein said sheath prevents over bending of said stiffening wire,
- wherein the stiffness of said bendable extension arm when being utilized for extending a user's reach is dependent primarily upon the stiffness of said stiffening wire.
20. (new) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 1, further comprising:
- A. a device attachment end, and
  - R. a device attached to said bendable extension arm at said device attachment end,
- wherein bending forces are exerted on said device when said bendable extension arm is being utilized for extending a user's reach.

21. (new) A method for extending a user's reach, comprising the steps of:
- A. grabbing a bendable extension arm at a hand receiving end, said bendable extension arm comprising:
    - 1. a stiffening wire comprising a first end and a second end,
    - 2. two wire receptors, wherein one of said two wire receptors is attached to said first end and the other of said two wire receptors is attached to said second end, and
    - 3. a sheath covering said stiffening wire, wherein said sheath prevents over bending of said stiffening wire,
  - B. attaching a device to a device attachment end,
  - C. bending said bendable extension arm to a desired shape, and
  - D. utilizing said bendable extension arm to extend the user's reach, wherein bending forces are exerted on said device at said device attachment end, wherein said bendable extension arm's resistance to bending due to said bending forces is dependent primarily upon the stiffness of said stiffening wire.
22. (new) The method as in Claim 20, further comprising the step of attaching an extension pole to said hand receiving end, wherein said step of grabbing said bendable extension arm at said hand receiving end is grabbing said extension pole at an extension pole hand receiving end.
23. (new) The method as in Claim 20, wherein said step of utilizing said bendable extension arm to extend the user's reach is achieved without having to utilize a separate locking device to maintain said desired shape.
24. (new) The method as in Claim 21, wherein not having to utilize a separate locking device to maintain said desired shape allows for said step of utilizing said bendable extension arm to extend the user's reach to be available instantly after said step of bending said bendable extension arm to said desired shape.

25. (new) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 1, wherein a separate locking device is not necessary to maintain a desired shape when said bendable extension arm is being utilized for extending a user's reach.
26. (new) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 25, wherein not having to utilize a separate locking device to maintain said desired shape allows for said bendable extension arm to be utilized instantly to extend the user's reach after said bendable extension arm is bent to said desired shape.